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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The Senate passed the Agricultural and the Legislative, Executive and Judicial bills yesterday. —— A stockholder in the A. & N. C. R R Co. has brought suit for the appointment of a receiver for the road. —— The Naval appropriation bill occupied the attention of the House yesterday. —— British steamer Manhattan, from New Orleans for Bremen, which put in at Charleston on fire will sail direct today. —— The Gudger Moody contest in the House from the 10th N. C. district was decided in favor of Gudger. —— Russians report another attack on Port Arthur yesterday morning early, and the repulse of the Japanese. —— Japanese have landed in Russian Manchuria about 70 miles southwest of Vladivostok. —— The Russian Baltic squadron will leave for the Far East in June next. —— Russians are irritated at the United States because of supposed sympathy for the Japanese. —— A dispatch from Tokio says storms are interfering with naval operation. —— A London telegram says no Japanese torpedo boats were injured in Wednesday's fight at Port Arthur. —— Wallace H. Ham, manager of the Boston branch of the American Surety Company of New York, has been arrested charged with larceny of $104 000. —— It is believed the Japanese intend to make a vigorous onslaught on Port Arthur. —— New York markets: Money on call was steady at 1½ per cent; cotton quiet at 14.10c; flour quiet, but firmly held; wheat—spot strong, No. 2 red $1.09; corn—spot firm, No. 2 nominal; oats—spot firm, No. 2 55½c; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine easy.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 25.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 42 degrees; 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 63 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees; mean, 52 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 1.99 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. Wednesday, 34 feet and falling.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb 25.—For North Carolina: Cloudy Friday, rain by night; Saturday rain, fresh east winds.

Port Almanac—February 26

Sun Rises	6.38 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.5) P. M.
Day's Length	11 h. 12 M.
High Water at Southport	3.2) A. M.
High Water Wilmington	3.50 A. M.

Some people who claim to be Democratic are also Dam-ocratic.

A hotel man named John Gilmer, aged 70 years, died Feb. 22 at Birdsboro, Pa. He had not taken a drink at his hotel bar in 40 years. Probably he was too well acquainted with his brands.

The day after Senator Hanna died, triplets, two boys and a girl, were born to Oliver Goffett, who is captain of the ferryboat across the Monongahela river at Pittsburg, Pa. He had them christened Marcus, Alonzo and Hanna.

Now a French scientist comes forward and asserts that the average hand contains 84,613,43 bacilli. People ought to be good hereafter, in order to keep a policeman from getting hold of them with both hands and double that breed of bacilli.

If you were to ask this oracle whether it is proper for a candidate to deliver Sunday school addresses, kiss babies and take all sorts of near cuts, we will give you the answer of the woman who kissed the cow, "Everybody to his notion." This is a free country!

In the Chicago grain pit yesterday May wheat went up to $1.09 a bushel on the probability that the war between Russia and Japan is to be a prolonged struggle. A problem that all the world powers have to face is where they will stand when the wind-up comes.

Senator Quay will remain boss of Pennsylvania. There are periodical threatenings against him and recently things looked ominous, but the kickers have been looked after and now announce that Quay will succeed himself at the coming election for senator. Senator Quay, whose health is bad, is now in Florida, and the Savannah *News* says he is a very sick man.

The Philadelphia *Press* of February 23rd publishes the horrible story that in that city a number of cases, in which babies have been cremated and false death certificates issued, have been discovered. Detectives are looking for a human fiend called "Dr. Lamont" who has been guilty of startling malpractice in many cases where the mothers are well to do. This is a land of civilization!

To-morrow the Czar will go to confession and visit the imperial tombs in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul, and also the Chapel of the Savour, in the House of Peter the Great. While worshiping at the tomb of Peter the Great, he will have reason to recall the injunction of that great warrior to ensure peace always be prepared for war.

FUNERAL OF MR. SOL. BEAR.

Remains of Esteemed Citizen Laid to Rest Yesterday in Oakdale Cemetery—Services by Dr. Mendelsohn.

In the presence of a large concourse of relatives and friends, including members of Cape Fear Camp, United Confederate Veterans, and Germania Lodge No. 4, Knights of Pythias, who assembled at their respective headquarters and attended in a body, the funeral of the late Solomon Bear was conducted with impressive ceremony at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the late residence, No. 116 North Fifth street. The ceremony was by the Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn, rabbi of the congregation of the Temple of Israel, a warm, personal friend of Mr. Bear, who paid a touching tribute of love and affection to his departed comrade. The floral tributes were many and exceedingly beautiful, Several of them were from Confederate and other organizations to which Mr. Bear belonged.

From the residence the long funeral procession moved to beautiful Oakdale cemetery where the remains were tenderly laid to rest. The pall bearers were from prominent citizens of Wilmington of every faith, the honorary escort having been Col. A. M. Waddell, ex-Mayor and congressman; Col. Jno. D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court; Dr. G. G. Thomas, Dr. T. S. Burbank, Capt. A. L. DeRosset, and Mr. Nathaniel Jacobi.

The active pall-bearers were Messrs. A. David, John Haar, L. Bluthenthal, A. Shrier, A. A. Nathan, L. B. Love, William Goodman and S. Solomon.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The New York steamer arrived up from Georgetown at 2 o'clock this morning.

— The local cotton market advanced to 13½c. for middling yesterday; receipts 26 bales, same day last year 310 bales.

— Pay your poll tax before May 1st or you cannot vote in the State and Presidential elections to be held in November next.

— Messrs. Ben J. Smith and W. S. Primrose, insurance men of Raleigh, are here to adjust the loss of Hall & Pearsall in the recent fire on the wharf.

— Contractor Thad F. Tyler was yesterday granted a building permit for a one-story metal-roof dwelling on south side of Queen, between Sixth and Seventh streets.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: "Now is the time to advertise. According to Bradstreet's, 84 per cent. of the merchants who failed in 1903 did not advertise in the newspapers."

— The only defendant in the Mayor's court yesterday was Mary Rhodes, colored, charged with being drunk and disorderly at Tenth and Orange streets. She was fined $10 and costs.

— H. F. Otten and wife and Elizabeth W. Otten have transferred to Annie M. Otten, for $10 and other considerations, a lot 66x60 feet on Sixth street, north of the intersection of Nixon,

— The alarm of fire from box 17 at 4:05 P. M., yesterday was on account of a small blaze at 1110 Hutaff's alley, between Fifth, Sixth, Swann and Nixon streets, owned by C. P. B. Mahler and occupied by Martha Murray, colored. The fire was caused by a defective chimney and the damage was about $100.

— Deputy Register of Deeds McLaurin did a land office business in colored marriage licenses yesterday, issuing no less than five. Two of the couples from Town Creek called at the office of Justice Bornemann and were made man and wife in rapid-fire succession.

The Knowles, Hypnotists.

Only a small audience witnessed the hynoptic exhibition by the Knowles at the Academy of Music last night, but the attraction was fully up to the standard. To-night the great base ball feature will be given and a part of the parquet will be devoted to its exhibition. Saturday afternoon a special matinee for the benefit of ladies and children will be given. Twenty-five cents to all parts of the house will be the admission.

Forshee After the Plum.

Says the Washington correspondent of yesterday's Charlotte *Observer*: "James M. Forshee is here from Wilmington, and, it is said, he has some strong endorsements for the postoffice. He is prosecuting an active campaign, but is reticent regarding his movements. He will remain here for a day or so until some definite action is taken."

Rev. Mr. Seabrease Here.

Rev. Mr. Seabrease, who recently accepted a call to the rectorship of St. Paul's Episcopal church, arrived yesterday and is stopping at Mrs. Clowe's, on Princess between Fifth and Sixth streets. He will conduct special Lenten services at St Paul's church, corner Fourth and Orange streets, at 9 o'clock this morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

D. L. Gore Co.—Salt.
J. W. H. Fuchs—She admires him.
A. S. Winstead—Oranges just arrived.
Hall & Pearsall—Your stock needs.
Academy of Music—Prof. Knowles.
German American Ins. Co.—Statem't.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Silver purse chain.

STATE COUNCIL, JR. O. U. A. M.

Wilmington Representatives Home from Charlotte Meeting—Officers Chosen for the Ensuing Fiscal Year.

Messrs. John E. Wood, William J. Bellamy, Marsden Bellamy, G. C. Simmons, Walter E. Yopp and J. T. Burke returned yesterday from Charlotte, where they attended the 13th annual State Council of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. The council was in session two days and adjourned after midnight yesterday morning to meet next year at Goldsboro. Wilmington, Hickory, Elizabeth City and Salisbury extended cordial invitations for the meeting, but it went to Goldsboro on personal appeal by retiring State Councillor Geo. E. Hood.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: State Councillor, T. G. Cobb, of Morganton; vice councillor, Z. P. Smith, of Raleigh; secretary, Sam F. Vance, of Winston-Salem; assistant secretary, R. H. Fulghum, of Wilson; treasurer, George V. Fulp, of Kernersville; conductor, W. D. Gaster, of Fayetteville; warden, C. S. Chamberlain, of Kinston; inside sentinel, O. G. Lee, of Asheville; outside sentinel, W. M. Ruth, of Salisbury; chaplain, Rev. W. H. Roach, of High Point; representatives to sovereign grand council, George E. Hood, of Goldsboro, for four years, and Sam F. Vance for three years. Of these officers, who will serve the Juniors for the ensuing year, three were re-elected, Secretary Vance, Assistant Secretary Fulghum and Treasurer Fulp.

A volume of routine business was transacted. *The Patriot*, of Salisbury, was re-adopted as the official organ of the order in North Carolina. May 20th was set apart as "Memorial Day" of the order to be observed with fitting ceremony each year. It was after midnight when the State Council receded from business to enjoy a sumptuous repast served by the Charlotte Juniors. The newly-elected officers met yesterday morning and named the staanding committees for the ensuing year.

CARGO OF GENUINE PERUVIAN GUANO.

First Vessel Load of Favorite Fertilizers Received Here in Twenty Years.

The British steamer "Capac," 1,951 tons, Capt. Rose, arrived in port yesterday with a cargo of 2,500 tons of genuine Peruvian guano for the Smith-Davis Co., of this city. She is straight from Labos de Afuera Islands, which belongs to and is off the coast of Peru. Her cargo is the first of its kind brought here in 20 years and in bulk is being stored in the "upper" compress warehouse for distribution to adjacent country from this point. The steamer sailed from Peru Dec. 25th and has been just 60 days on the way. The cargo is in splendid condition and orders for much of it have already been taken from leading farmers throughout the Carolinas. It was tried with great success by a number of leading farmers of Marlboro county, S. C., last season and still greater quantities are being used this year by them.

The Smith-Davis Co. now has two other vessels discharging nitrate of soda at their warehouse here—the German steamer "Martha Russ" and the big schooner "Joseph G. Ray."

EX-ALDERMAN WALKER'S TROUBLES.

Makes Arrangements to Restore Funds Alleged to Have Been Stolen.

Will the charge of embezzlement against ex-Alderman Andrew J. Walker be quashed at the next term of Superior Courts. It appears from a step taken yesterday that the indications point that way, Walker having made arrangements for a restoration of the full amount alleged to have been stolen from him. This was accomplished by the execution of a second mortgage deed to Free Love Lodge No. 1469, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, yesterday, the purpose of the mortgage being to secure notes amounting to $335 and payable three years after date. The property encumbered is situate on west side of Fifth, 82½ feet from Swann street, 76x150 feet in size, the second mortgage being subject to one of prior date given to E. K. Bryan, Esq., for $1,250 security.

Basket Ball To-night.

The contesting teams in the city league basketball game at the City Hall to-night will be the "Boy's Brigade" and the "Y. M. C. A." A promising game may be looked forward to, as both teams are composed of some of the best players in the city. Those who have never witnessed the game will do well to attend to-night, and it is safe to say that they will ever after be intensely interested. A small admission of 15c. will be charged for the purpose of covering the expense of the game. J. A. McGeachy will captain the Y. M. C. A. team as usual, and Wilbur Dosher, a well known player, will look after the interests of the Boy's Brigade. Game called promptly at 8:30.

Fruit Schooner in Port.

The British schooner "City of Nassau," from the West Indies, arrived up from Southport yesterday morning and is tied up at the Custom House wharf. She has a cargo of 75,000 oranges and 30 or 40 bushels of tomatoes, which are being sold at retail by the consignees, Messrs. J. A. Springer & Co., through Mr. A. S. Winstead, the well known confectioner, 213 Market street. After discharging she will receive a cargo of shingles for Messrs. Springer & Co.

WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH.

Jabel Register Paid Death Penalty for His Part in Awful Columbus Crime.

Three Thousand People Witnessed the Execution at Whiteville Yesterday Shortly After Noon—Story of His Undoing—Displayed No Signs of Nervousness at the Last—Other Notes.

WHITEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 25.—On the gallows here to-day Jabel Register paid the death penalty for his part in one of the most heinous crimes in the history of Columbus county.

The morning of his last day on earth was one of sunshine and an invigorating atmosphere, which brought over 3,000 people to Whiteville to be present at the hanging. It was exactly three minutes of twelve o'clock, noon, when Sheriff Butler read him the death warrant. Those who were present were Revs. F. T. Wooten, J. J. Browning and J. T. Draper. Rev. Mr. Draper received Jabel into the Methodist church yesterday afternoon and baptized him; and Deputy Sheriffs J. L. Barney, C. L. Benton, Z. Q. Maultsby, W. J. Benton, "Buck" Tyler, E. W. Fuhr and Ely Hinson, who had been his guard since January 22nd; newspaper men and other witnesses.

Jabel ate a good supper last night and some breakfast this morning. When the reporter shook hands with him in his cell before the warrant was read he greeted him cordially and said he felt better than he had before on any day in his whole life and said he had never known a God until a few days ago. He had an animated, smiling countenance and said he had made peace with his God. He also said he had received a letter from his father, H. B. Register, from the penitentiary, in which he said he regretted he had kept him under his influence and he was sorry for having created such an influence over him and that he was the direct cause of his death. H. B. requested Jabel to ask forgiveness from an all kind Maker, and regretted that A. C. Smith would not hang with him, as he was guilty of the murder of Jesse Soles.

At 12:01 the procession took up the march to the gallows, led by Revs. Browning and Draper, and Jabel was between Sheriff Butler and Deputy W. J. Benton, followed by the others present. He walked with steady step and did not falter during the journey to the gallows. He was calm, cool and collected throughout the terrible ordeal. He was neatly attired in a new black sack suit and his beard was closely clipped.

Rev. Mr. Draper conducted the services on the scaffold. He first read the fifty-first Psalm and then read fifteen verses from the fifth chapter of the letter to the Romans. This was followed by the singing of "Nearer My God to Thee," at the request of Jabel, although he did not join in the singing. Nearly all of the gathering of 3,000 people present joined in the singing, however. Rev. Draper then offered a most impressive prayer.

E. W. Fuhr tied the feet of the condemned man and tied the black cap over his head at 12:20. Dr. N. A. Thompson, the coroner, was the last man to bid him good-bye, and Jabel answered him in an unfaltering voice, which could be distinctly heard throughout the vast multitude, "Good-bye, Doctor."

Immediately after the cap was adjusted Fuhr stepped back and Sheriff Butler sprung the trap which sent Jabel Register into eternity. The fall was four feet and his neck was badly broken, so much so that it fell over on his shoulders after the rope was removed. Owing to his strong constitution he did not die until twenty minutes after he fell. The coroner then pronounced him dead. Seven minutes afterwards his body was cut down, placed in a coffin and taken charge of by his family. All that is left of Jabel Register will be buried on Crusoe Island.

It was not a public hanging, but nearly everyone could see all that was to be seen, as it was impossible to obscure the gaze of the public entirely. The sheriff showed great emotion while reading the death warrant and seemed to be more visibly affected than Jabel. The whole assemblage seemed to feel the solemnity of the occasion more than Jabel Register. Jabel told the reporter that the confession he made and signed last week was all he would have to say himself, but that he had made a statement in writing and placed it in the hands of Rev. J. T. Draper to be opened after his death and that he could give the contents to the public if he chose to do so.

The sealed letter was opened after the hanging and was a reiteration of his confession implicating Smith in the murder, berated Deputy Sheriff W. J. Benton for not permitting his mother and sister to see him on Tuesday, when it was rumored they had purchased poison to take to him; told of his spiritual welfare, stating that he would die a Christian man, and told bitterly of the suffering and death he was compelled to pass through in expiation of his crime, through the influence of an unnatural father. He attributed his downfall to his father alone and there was not a word of forgiveness for the father who is now serving a life sentence in the State penitentiary at Raleigh.

A. C. Smith is still confined in jail here and may be put on trial for his life at the term of Superior Court, beginning Feb. 29th.

The crime for which Jabel Register paid the death penalty on the gallows at Whiteville yesterday was one of the blackest in the criminal annals of the State, combining all the essentials of double murder, burglary and arson. According to the confession of Register himself and Cross Edmondson, upon whose evidence, largely, the Registers, father and son, were convicted last Fall, the crime was prompted, planned and executed under the direction of the elder, H. B. Register, who is now serving a life sentence in the State penitentiary as an accessory before the fact. Edmondson, in consideration of the fact that he turned State's evidence, was sent up for only seven years. The younger Register, who died yesterday, is about five feet, ten inches in height and weighs 150 pounds. He is 35 years of age and from his boyhood had been almost under the hypnotic influence of his father. In fact, Register's utter subservience to the will of his father has often laid himself open to a suspicion of idiocy. He has three sisters, two of whom are married to well-to-do citizens of Columbus. Jesse Soles, one of the murdered men, was prominently connected in Columbus, Mr. W. A. J. Soles, a brother, being a wealthy man. It was he who prosecuted the case and was instrumental in seeing that the law was carried out.

The murder and robbery of Jesse Soles, white, and Jim Staley, colored, was committed on Sunday night, March 29th, last year. They lived in a small house, ten miles from the county seat, in an isolated section of the county and were supposed to be engaged in running a blockade liquor still. They were known to have a large amount of money on their persons, estimated variously from $500 to $1,300. On Saturday afternoon before the killing, Cross Edmondson was at Whiteville and was approached by Jabel Register, who told him that his father, H. B. Register, wanted to see him. Edmonson went to the house of Register in Whiteville and found the old man Register doctoring a horse at his stables. Edmondson assisted the old man with the horse and was told to come over to the house and talk over a plan to make some money "easy." The older Register then unfolded to Edmondson his plan for the robbery and said the officers wanted the men out of the way anyhow and if "the damned nigger flickered" to kill him on the spot. Jabel understood the plan previously and after supper they armed themselves with guns furnished by the old man and enough canned goods to last them for food for a day or two. They then proceeded in the country on foot and remained all that night and the following day in the woods around the house of the men against whom they had such base designs. While lying in wait, they came upon a blockade still and took with them a keg of corn liquor from which they each drank freely. It was about 10 o'clock Sunday night that they approached the house stealthily, Jabel peered through a window and saw the negro and white man seated about a fire on the hearth, where they had evidently been cooking. Register poked his gun through the shutter and fired; then a gun shot was heard on the inside and Register fired again. At that Edmondson said he became frightened, set his gun by a well and retreated, hiding himself under a pile of cross-ties. He said in his confession that Jabel went in the house but later came out and called to him. Register upbraided Edmondson for his timidity and threatened to shoot him if he didn't exhibit more courage. The two men then went in the house and took off the persons of the two men two pocket-books. The one which Edmondson got he said contained but $10, but the larger amount was in the purse secured by Register. While they were making their way from the house, Edmondson said he saw a light in the sky and asked Jabel what it meant. Register replied that it was "the old man getting even." Later, he confessed that he did not intend to set fire to the house. The charred remains of the men were found in the ruins of the house a day or two later.

Leaving the house the men went to the shanty of a negro some distance away and staid there all night, after first hiding their guns at the gate. The men did not rise early in the morning, and the guns were found by the negro and brought in to the white men. The following day Register and Edmondson came on to Whiteville and were met by several persons whom they attempted to evade. This was all brought out at the trial. Edmondson was first arrested, and his confession implicated the Registers. They immediately fled and were not captured for several weeks. They were outlawed by the Governor and a reward of $200 was offered each by the State and county. Two young men of the county obtained the confidence of old man Register and led him to believe that if he would consent to be brought in, he would probably be allowed to give bond. His capture was easy under that subterfuge. Later, a sheriff's posse, which had kept a careful watch on the Register house, found the younger man secreted in the loft of a closet, where he was provided with bedding and food in abundance. The men were tried at Whiteville at a special term of court held by Judge Fred Moore, of Asheville. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court for a new trial without avail and Governor Aycock has since refused any respite or commutation, though appeals for both have been repeatedly made.

All the Registers were fairly well-to-do in this world's goods. They own about 1,500 acres of land on Crusoe Island, between Waccamaw river and Juniper creek, the soil being rich. Jabel owned 84 acres himself, which he deeded before his death to his mother, over fifty years of age, who visited her son in the jail almost every day. H. B. Register owned a residence and 30 acres of land in the suburbs of Whiteville, which he sold for $1,850 since he has been in the penitentiary. The mother of Jabel and one of his sisters bade him goodbye for the last time the day before he was hung.

COAST LINE OFFERS REWARD.

President Erwin Will Pay $1,000 for Arrest and Conviction of Assassin of Savannah Section Foreman.

Yesterday's Savannah *News* says: "A reward of $1,000 was offered yesterday by the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company for the arrest, with evidence to convict, of the slayer of L. A. Murray, the section foreman, who was shot down near Walthourville Tuesday afternoon. The offer of the reward is signed by Mr. R. G. Erwin, president of the company.

"The railway officials, as well as the officers who have investigated the case, are satisfied that the slayer of Murray was one of the Coast Line strikers. Every possible effort is being made to to catch the murderer. The best officers to be obtained are at work on the case, and the reward has been offered as an additional incentive to the arrest of the unknown party. The superintendent of police was notified by one of the officials of the Coast Line that Mr. Erwin had determined upon offering the reward. The offer was read to all the force on night duty as follows:

"One thousand dollars reward will be paid by the undersigned for the arrest and delivery to A. P. Brewer, sheriff of Liberty county, Georgia, with sufficient evidence to convict, of the man or men who killed L. A. Murray near the 37 mile post on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, Liberty county, Georgia, Feb. 23, 1904.

"Atlantic Coast Line Railway Co.

"By R. G. Erwin, president.

"Savannah, Ga., Feb. 24, 1903."

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. M. S. Whitted, of Clarkton, was here yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Pickett, of Greenhurst, was here yesterday.

— Jno. H. Gore, Esq., has gone to Washington and Baltimore.

— Mr. P. S. Cox, of Newbern, was among the arrivals yesterday.

— Mr. A. S. Blount, of Rocky Mount, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. J. F. Woodward, of Warsaw, was here on business yesterday.

— Mr. Nathan O'Berry, of Goldsboro, passed through the city yesterday.

— Miss Florence H. Whitney has returned from a delightful visit to Sumter, S. C.

— Solicitor C. C. Lyon, of Elizabethtown, was here yesterday, passing through the city.

— Mr. T. L. McNair, a prominent merchant of Laurel Hill, made business calls in Wilmington yesterday.

— Mr. Chas. Dushan returned last night from Spartanburg, S. C., where he has been attending the convention of the Y. M. C. A. in the Carolinas.

— Capt. T. D. Meares was in Charlotte yesterday and attended the reception given there Wednesday night in honor of Hon. Tracy R. Bangs, of Grand Forks, N. D., supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias in the United States. Capt. Meares was one of the speakers at an elaborate banquet which followed.

MR. T. D. LOVE RESIGNS.

Leaves South Atlantic Transit Company to be With Columbia Line.

Mr. T. D. Love, general manager and agent of the South Atlantic Transit Co., which operates the steamers "Hurt" and "City of Fayetteville" between this city and Fayetteville, yesterday announced his resignation of those positions to take effect March 1st or sooner, if arrangements for a successor can be made in the meantime. Mr. Love withdraws from the company to devote the larger portion of his time to the new Columbia-Georgetown, S. C., line, though he will continue his wholesale grocery business in Wilmington. The other officers of the South Atlantic Transit Co. at present are A. A. Lisman, of New York, president; W. S. Cook, of Fayetteville, general manager and agent at both terminals of the line, and D. McEachern, treasurer. The company will continue to use the wharf of Mr. Love, west of the Front street market house. The steamer "Highlander," which Mr. Love will operate on the Columbia-Georgetown line, proceeded to Southport yesterday and will go to sea for her new destination as soon as the weather will permit. The changes in the management of the South Atlantic Transit Co. were made at a recent meeting in Fayetteville.

Rev. J. W. Bailey Coming.

The men of Wilmington will be indeed fortunate in hearing next Sunday the Rev. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, editor of the *Biblical Recorder*, who is so well known throughout the State that he requires no introduction to the people of Wilmington. He will speak at 5 o'clock at the regular men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A.

Lawyers' Big Fee.

Charlotte *Observer*: "It is said that if ex-Governor Russell and ex Senator Marion Butler succeed in winning the South Dakota bond suit and get the full amount claimed for principal and interest of all the bonds held by Schafer, of New York, they will get a fee of at least $200,000. So says a Raleigh lawyer, who is in a position to know."

Remember the free distribution of samples of To-ni-ta at the store of Bullock & Ahrens, Princess street, Friday, Feb. 26th. To-ni-ta is a gentle, invigorating tonic and stimulant for the body, brain and nerve. Cures Catarrh in every form. †

RECEIVER FOR THE A. & N. C.

New York Stockholder Complains That Road is Not Managed for Best Interest of Owners—Jones' Case.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 25.—Judge Purnell, of the United States Circuit Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina appointed Capt. V. E. McBee, receiver for the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad, the State's line from Goldsboro to Morehead City. The application for a receiver was made by K. S. Finch, of New York, who owns 45 shares of stock. He complains that the road is badly managed and not in the interest of the stockholders; that it is in poor condition and that the law regulating control of the road is not observed. Judge Purnell names April 4th as the date for the hearing.

Capt. McBee, who is named as receiver, has recently submitted two proposals to Governor Aycock for leasing the road. The first was declined and the second he withdrew last Tuesday evening. Capt. McBee will take charge of the road as soon as he gives $50,000 bond.

Argument was heard in the Supreme Court to-day in the appeal of State vs. Daniels, the defendant being the murderer of the father of Senator Simmons. Attorney General Gilmer and Solicitor A. D. Ward, of Newbern, argued for the State, and Col. J. C. L. Harris for Daniels, who is under sentence to be hanged in Jones county. The appeal is on the ground that negroes were excluded in revising the jury list and the confession of Daniels should not have been used because it was made when in fear of violence.

A conference of regimental officers held to-day it was decided to hold one brigade encampment this Summer instead of three regimental encampments as last year. The encampment will be sometime in July, the place and date to be selected. Morehead and Lake View are most prominently mentioned. Company E, of Raleigh, was changed from the second to the third regiment; Durham from first to third; Goldsboro from first to second; Salisbury third to first, and Mt. Airy third to first.

HANGING AT WADESBORO.

Will Boggan Executed for Murder of a White Man Last February.

[Special Star Telegram.]

WADESBORO, N. C., Feb. 25.—The first legal execution in Anson county since 1871 occurred here to day, when Will Boggan, colored, paid the death penalty on the gallows, protesting his innocence to the last, for the murder of John A. Sullivan, white, on February 28th last year. The execution was made private by erecting a 30-foot wall on the south side of the jail, and only half a dozen or more persons witnessed it. The evidence at the trial left no doubt of the prisoner's premeditation and guilt, in spite of his dying declaration and a futile attempt to prove an alibi at the trial.

Adrift in Mid-Stream.

Adrift on a partly submerged raft and being swept with the tide up the river in mid stream, a moderate gale of wind prevailing at the time, was the harrowing experience of Police Captain Williams and a popular insurance agent of the city whom he persuaded to embark with him yesterday afternoon. When on the "brink lee" of despair a party at the Angola Lumber Company saw their predicament, launched a boat and towed them ashore.

Runaway in Fayetteville.

Yesterday's Fayetteville *Observer*: "This morning, as Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Holt, accompanied by their two little daughters, were riding over Haymount they came into collision with a runaway team drawing a wagon, that dashed full tilt into them, taking off a wheel of their conveyance. All were thrown out, Mrs. Holt sustaining painful bruises, but the reporter is glad to know that there were no very serious injuries."

Black Patti's Return Date.

Manager Collins, of the Black Patti Troubadours, spent yesterday in the city arranging for a return engagement of those popular colored entertainers at the Academy here next Thursday evening. The sale of seats will be announced later.

Read large advertisement of To-ni-ta in the STAR of to-day. Cut out and fill in the coupon given in the advertisement and take it to the drug store of Bullock & Ahrens, Princess street, and get a sample bottle absolutely free. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Just Arrived.

British Schooner "City of Nassau" with 75,000 Oranges from Nassau. The finest yet coming from the Indies, now on sale. Call early before all are gone. Schooner at Custom House wharf. A. S. WINSTEAD,
Feb 26 3t 213 Market street.

A Delightful Pleasure.

Nothing pleases a man more than a good, clean shave. We give the cleanest shave obtainable, not only in point of keen razors, but as to real cleanliness. We use a clean towel for each man and everything else is thoroughly antiseptic.

GUION & DAVIS,
Feb 25 1t Climax Barber Shop,
7 South Front street.

THE KNOWLES
AT THE
ACADEMY OF MUSIC
TO-NIGHT.
Prices 15, 25, 35 and 50 cents.

Special matinee of particular interest to ladies and children to-morrow (saturday) afternoon. Admission 25 cents to all parts of the house. Feb 26 1t

SHE ADMIRES HIM

because his clothes are stylish, tasteful and well-fitting—the kind found at our establishment.

Add to this that our clothing is durable, you will readily understand why we have such a long list of satisfied customers. If you want something in the line of Men's Clothing, favor us with a visit. Come and examine our goods, compare them with others. That's the way we make new patrons.

J. W. H. FUCHS.
128 to 138 South Front St.
Phone 800. feb 26 1f

Valuable Real Estate
AND WHARF PROPERTY
For Sale at Auction.

We will sell at auction on March 1st, 1904, 12 o'clock noon, at Court House door, Wilmington, N. C., property at corner of Orange and Water streets, including vacant lot on Orange street, Power House and Wharf, formerly occupied by Wilmington Street railway as a power station. As an investment no property in the city is better.

For full particulars call or write

DICK & REILLY,
Real Estate and Insurance Agents,
110 Princess St., Wilmington, N. C.
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STATEMENT

GERMAN AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

CONDITION DECEMBER 31ST, 1903, AS SHOWN BY STATEMENT FILED.

Capital paid in cash	$1,500,000 00
Amount Ledger Assets Dec. 31st previous year, 49,652,931 90; Increase of capital paid in, 500,000 00; Total	50,152,931 90
Income—From Policy-holders, $4 932 477 47; Miscellaneous, $1,361,944 44; Total	6,294,421 91
Disbursements—To Policy-holders, $2 899,191 51; Miscellaneous, $2,184,617 33; Total	4,883,739 71
Fire Risks—Written or renewed this year, $757,419,635 00; In force	$824,366,100 00

ASSETS.

Book value of real estate (less amount of encumbrances)	15,000 00	
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	13,000 00	
Value of Stocks and Bonds (U. S., State, etc.)	10,797,194 00	
Cash in Home office and deposited in Banks	430,030 77	
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1903	765,142 72	
Agents' balances, representing business prior to October 1, 1903	7,642 49	
Interest and Rents, due and accrued	53 848 84	
Total	$12,071,058 78	
Less assets, not admitted	7,642 49	
Total admitted Assets	$12,074,396 29	

LIABILITIES.

Losses and claims unpaid	$296,469 25
Unearned Premiums	4,132,116 24
All other Liabilities as detailed in statement	240,486 27
Total liabilities as to policy-holders	$4,041,066 74
Capital paid up in cash	$1,500,000 00
Surplus	5,533,329 59
Total Liabilities	$12,074,396 33

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1903.

Fire Risks written, $4,539,900 00; Premiums received	68,357 75
Losses incurred — Fire, $42,579 02; Paid	42 579 02
Losses now Unpaid	5,790 40

President—WILLIAM N. KREMER.
Secretary—CHARTIS G. PMITH.
Home Office, Corner Liberty and Nassau Streets, New York city, N. Y.
General Agent for service, COL. WALKER TAYLOR, Wilmington, N. C.
Business Manager for North Carolina, JORDAN S. THOMAS, Charlotte, N. C.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,
RALEIGH, N. C., February 20, 1904.

I, JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the German-American Insurance Company of New York, N. Y., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1903.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written.

JAMES R. YOUNG,
feb 26 2t Insurance Commissioner.

AT
YOUR ELBOW

No matter what part of the city you live in, this Drug Store is at your elbow We have a Bicycle Delivery and will deliver any article, no matter how large or how small.

WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE.

We will also send for Prescriptions, fill them and send them back to you in less time than it would take you to walk to your nearest drug store.

JAMES M. HALL,
PHARMACIST.
Cor. 5th and Castle Sts., Wilmington, N. C.
feb 14 tf.

YOUR STOCK NEEDS

Corn, Hay and Oats.

Your customers need Meat, Flour, Rice, Coffee, Sugar, etc.

We can supply the needs of both with the very best goods at lowest prices.

HALL & PEARSALL,
INCORPORATED.
feb 26 1f

Commissioner's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Court of New Hanover county, in the case of Joseph Turner and Emma Turner vs. Whitfield Turner and Richard Turner, the undersigned commissioner will sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash, on Thursday, the 3rd day of March, 1904, at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington, the following property: Beginning in the northern line of Campbell street 41¼ feet west of the western line of Eighth street, runs thence west with the northern line of Campbell street 41¼ feet; thence north parallel with Eighth street 66 feet; thence east parallel with Campbell street 41¼ feet; thence south parallel with Eighth street 66 feet to the beginning, being part of Lot 5, Block 93.

T. E. BROWN,
feb 2 30t Commissioner.

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 26.

CAROLINA COTTON SEED AND THE BOLL WEEVIL.

The STAR a few days ago contained an item to the effect that one buyer from Texas had shipped to that State about thirty car loads of cotton seed from North Carolina. We have no doubt other parties also shipped large quantities of seed to the boll weevil region.

Upon recommendation of the entomologists of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, Texas cotton planters are securing their cotton seed in the South Atlantic States in order to offset the destructive weevil. It was urged that seed be obtained from cotton regions where the weevil has not made its appearance, and North Carolina seed was recommended for the reason that seed from the most northern cotton growing region produce earlier crops in the region furtherest south. The theory has been advanced by the Department of Agriculture that if the crop can be matured earlier, it will lessen the ravages of the weevil—if, indeed, the crop cannot be almost or quite harvested before the pest begins its work of destruction.

The Savannah *News* calls our attention to the fact that the February number of the *Independent* has a very comprehensive and decidedly valuable article on the boll weevil. It is illustrated, so that one can see just what sort of an insect the weevil is. It seems from this article that it first invaded Mexico in 1848, and reached the Rio Grande in 1894. It infested the entire cotton area of Mexico except the Laguna district, which escaped, owing to its altitude, it being 3,500 feet above the level of the sea. The section of Mexico infested has been practically abandoned, so far as the cultivation of cotton is concerned. No fight against the weevil was made, as there were no known means with which it could be successfully combatted.

When the weevil reached the Rio Grande ten years ago Mr. Townsend, of the Division of Entomology, recommended that in a belt ten miles wide along the Rio Grande no cotton should be grown, and that across that belt no agricultural products likely to conceal the weevil should be allowed to pass. If his recommendation had been acted upon promptly by the Texas Legislature the State might not now be afflicted with the weevil.

Practically no remedy for the evil has been discovered, but the scientists of the Agricultural Department have gone at the problem with the determination of solving it, if its solution is within the bounds of possibility.

The experts have no doubt that the weevil will spread over the entire cotton area if its progress isn't arrested. As it travels about sixty miles a year it will take a considerable time to cover the entire territory. In the meantime science may succeed in finding the means of exterminating it, or of so limiting its ravages that it will not beso feared as it is at present.

It is admitted that Winter temperatures and parasites limit the spread of the weevil. The parasites have not yet been found, and only occasionally are Winter temperatures of sufficient severity to destroy the weevil to be expected, and then only in portions of the cotton belt. The experts have given the planters in the infested district some good advice as to time of planting, method of planting and the seed to be used. The purport of this advice is that the plant must be pushed ahead so far that it can't be harmed much at the period when the weevil is most destructive. By following this course it is said that about two thirds of a crop can be grown in a weevil-infested district. But if a crop should be cut off a third, especially in a season when the price was low, there wouldn't be much profit in cotton. In fact, the growing of the staple would be practically abandoned in most of the infested territory.

The greatly oppressive and groaning American people will soon be told from every stump all about their sufferings. The Republican party's trusts and prosperity high prices have pinched us all in the flanks and we'll get red hot when we are told how hard we have been hit.

The Scotland Neck *Commonwealth* is urging the erection of a cotton seed oil mill in that beautiful town. We do not hear of the failure of any cotton oil mills, do we? 'Nough sed.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

Dr. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

FREE IF IT FAILS.

Robt. R. Bellamy, Druggist, Offers the People of Wilmington Vinol, a Body-Building, Strengthening and Healing Medicine.

We have a warranted cure for all thin, tired, debilitated, nervous people. It is Vinol, the most delicious and valuable preparation of cod liver oil ever discovered. Vinol tones up the digestive organs, cures all stomach troubles, makes rich, red blood, creates strength, and builds up firm, healthy flesh.

Mr. Frank Graves, a lawyer, of Winooski, Vt., writes: "Permit me to say a word indorsing the peerless merits of your cod liver oil preparation, Vinol. I was in very poor health when I bought my first bottle of Vinol, and I wish every sufferer could see what it has done for me. It brought back my appetite, put flesh on my bones, strengthened my nervous system and toned up my whole physical condition. Vinol simply did wonders for me."

As we have so often stated in these columns, Vinol is the greatest strength creator known to medicine, and we do not believe there is a person in this vicinity but what Vinol will benefit at this season of the year; it never fails to make the weak strong and the sick well.

Vinol is just as valuable for all hacking coughs, chronic colds, throat and bronchial troubles, and we return money if it fails. Robt. R. Bellamy, druggist.

THE SOUTH SET THE PACE.

When Congressman Shafroth, in all his manliness stood up before the world and declined a seat in the House of Representatives because it was besmirched with fraud, many newspapers not knowing that he was a Democrat offered to wager that he was.

Mr. Shafroth was first elected as a Republican but finding himself in the wrong pew and hungering for contact with virtue, he came over to the white robed Democracy. However, he was not the first Congressman to set the splendid example like that he recently held up before the American people. The South, always the exemplar of high standard, was first to set the pace. We will let the Savannah *News* tell the rest about it.

The case of John F. Shafroth, Democratic representative from Colorado, who has voluntarily resigned his seat in Congress because some of the votes counted for him were fraudulent, is spoken of by some observers as without parallel, but Congressman Black, of Georgia, did the same thing because of the mere charge of fraud. In the latter case a new election was called and Mr. Black was elected a second time. A similar course would no doubt seat Mr. Shafroth, for he has won legions of admirers by his honorable course.

It looks as if the country of the Yellow Kid sympathizes with th country of the Yellow Man.

TWINKLINGS

— Mrs. Brown—Mrs. Smith does not sew a stitch at our Ladies' Aid Society. Mr. Brown—Well, maybe she aids in the gossip.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— She—You met Miss Borem through Miss Jokeley, I understand. I didn't know he was a friend of yours. He—Heisn't. She—Oh, I thought he was. He—So did I.—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Tess—Mr. Gayman has proposed to so many girls I'm surprised he hasn't asked you to marry him. Jess—Huh! I guess he knows better. Tess—Of course, but none of them will have him.—*Phil. Press.*

— "Have you no pride?" "Naw," replied the street beggar. "But I'm goin' ter lay in er supply when it gits er trifle cheaper." "Gets cheaper!" "Yep. Pride, dey say, is bound ter have er fall."—*Chicago Daily News.*

— A Gentle Hint.—"And that," said Mr. Staylate, concluding his tiresome story, "was how my mother became interested in the Home for Aged Widows." "Speaking of homes," remarked Miss Patience, yawning ostentatiously, "doesn't that word 'home' appeal to you and make you feel there is no place like it?"—*Philadelphia Press.*

— As the car struck a curve the man with a strap lurched forward and stepped dumbly on the sitter's shoe. "I beg your pardon," he said; "I didn't mean to step on your foot." "Don't apologize," said the sitter, smiling; "it isn't mine." "Isn't your's?" asked the stander, raising his eyebrows. "Not yet," replied the sitter. "You see, it's wood, and I'm buying it on the instalment plan."—*Cincinnati Times-Star.*

IMPORTANT ARREST.

Policeman B. R. King of Wilmington made it.

An ache in the small of the back.

A shooting, coursing pain.

Is an intruder in your system.

Man's the progress of disease.

Arrest it in time.

A Wilmington policeman tells how he did it.

B. R. King, the well known policeman, residing at 706 Wooster street, says: "I had terrible pain in my back which worked around to my side and in my stomach, so bad at times that it laid me up. I used internal medicines and they did not help me. I put on plasters and rubbed with liniment, and none of them helped me at all. Seeing Doan's Kidney Pills recommended I got a box of them at Bellamy's drug store. The next day after commencing to use them I noticed relief. Since using two boxes of them I have not had an ache or a pain in my back. It is with pleasure that I add my name to those endorsing the claims made for this remedy."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—The Baptist church at Gastonia has raised $5,000 to pay off all its debts.

The Durham Iron Works Company has been incorporated at Durham, with $9,600 capital paid in and $50,000 authorized.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Ex-President Cleveland is coming to North Carolina to hunt ducks. Will he also bring bait for succors?

— The town of Lumberton has paid Mr. A. H. McLeon $400 by way of compromise of a suit which he brought for damages sustained in opening streets across his property.

—President Roosevelt on Wednesday sent to the Senate the nomination of Dr. R. M. Norment for postmaster at Lumberton. Dr. Norment has been postmaster for several years.

— Kenly is to have its first bank by the middle of April. The town is on the main line of the Atlantic Coast Line, in Johnston county, and is in one of the best farming sections in North Carolina.

— The costliest private monument in North Carolina will be erected in Elmwood cemetery, in Charlotte, to the memory of Henry Gratton Springs, who died two years ago, leaving an estate valued at $900,000. The monument will cost $7,500.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Judge Allen made a novel departure in recommending the grand jury to visit the Salisbury graded schools along with other public institutions. That is a good idea. The public pay taxes to support public schools and know too little about them.

— "Refuge" in the Maxton *Scottish Chief*: Eggs 20c per dozen and chickens 50 cents a piece equal fifteen cent cotton. The egg production might be largely increased with good warm houses for the fowls in Winter time. We built a modern poultry house last Summer and got nearly double as many eggs this Winter as we ever got before.

— There was a large break of tobacco on the Kinston warehouse floors Wednesday. The sales reached 250,000 pounds. The price was good and very little dissatisfaction was expressed, though the low price prevailing the first of the season has caused a fixed determination among the farmers to curtail production a great deal next year.

— Salisbury *Sun*, Feb. 23: Something mysterious surrounds the poisoning of Mr. Henry Sells and family, of Franklin township, who barely escaped with their lives. Mr. Sells, who has been an operative at the Salisbury cotton mills, moved to Franklin only two weeks ago. While he is not aware that he has an enemy on earth circumstances that would indicate the case to be one inspired by malice accumulate.

— Dunn's new financial institution, the Dunn Banking Company, incorporated last week, began business Tuesday under flattering circumstances. The capital is $25,000 and this has been paid in in solid cash, no notes being in the amount. The deposits on the opening day amounted to about $7,000, which in the face of the recent failures of the two banks is a splendid record and shows that there is true pluck in enterprising Dunn.

— M. Lee Wood, of Cleveland, a son of Dr. W. B. Wood, was working with blocks over a vat filled with boiling water when he lost his footing. Before he could be rescued he was horribly burned. Medical attention was immediately given him and it was found that the skin had been entirely peeled from the flesh. The unfortunate young man will probably not be able to resume work for a year and will be more or less incapacitated for active labor for life.

— At Charlotte on Wednesday, for murderously assaulting John Banchay, aged 10 years, son of Magistrate Adolphus Banchay, with a knife and inflicting an ugly gash in his back, and robbing his companion, eight years old, of a watch and one hundred dollars in Confederate bills, Jess Poe, the son of Sue Poe, a notorious woman, was arrested and locked up in jail Wednesday afternoon. Alexander Roberts, another negro, was jailed the same day and later bound over to the Superior Court for assaulting Louis Gwaltney, a negro, with a razor.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Judge W. R. Allen, of Goldsboro, who has just concluded the term of the Superior Court of Forsyth county, was here yesterday on his way from Winston to Goldsboro. Being asked about the court he said that among the principal cases were those in which the sentences of five people aggregated fifty-one years. A white man, Robinson, was sentenced to eight years for manslaughter, one negro to 22 years for murder in the second degree, another for 15 years for attempt at rape, and a third for four years for stealing, while a negro woman was sent up for two years for stealing. These were the principal sentences among a large number who were convicted.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run-down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist.

For Over Sixty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and take no other kind.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

SLOAN'S LINIMENT KILLS PAIN

QUICKER AND BETTER THAN ANY REMEDY EVER DISCOVERED.

TRY IT FOR RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, SCIATICA, LUMBAGO, STIFF JOINTS AND ALL ACHES, SPRAINS AND STRAINS.

ALL DEALERS

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The Panama matter has demonstrated that while conscience may prompt speech, it does not necessarily control votes.—*Washington Post.*

—— What Mr. Cleveland probably intended to say was that he does not care about Mr. Bryan any more than about any other wind that blows.—*Washington Post.*

—— When Col. Bryan gets dull and less talkative, Mr. Cleveland knows how to stir him up again. It is like poking the natural history specimens at the Zoo.—*Philadelphia Press.*

—— There was a Congressional election in New York yesterday, and Bourke Cockran is now on the pay roll of "the hoodlum of nations," as he terms the United States.—*Washington Post.*

—— Dowie proposes to capture Utah and drive ont Mormonism. Between Mormonism and Dowieism most of the country will favor letting well enough alone.—*Washington Times.*

—— Our neighbor the *Evening Post* elicits much enjoyment from the statement that the "Federal Assembly of Porto Rico, by a vote of 60 to 15," recently "demanded self-government as a separate country, or the right to enter the Union." What is the "Federal Assembly" of Porto Rico? If any such body exists, it has no official character. Probably the House of Delegates is referred to. But that body has only thirty-five members. It is sometimes well to sift the stories that come to us from and about our insular dependencies.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

—— One bill which passed the last Legislature and which will become law on the Governor's signature yhas heretofore escaped notice as to its importance. Its effect will be to practically put out of business the money loan sharks who have done so much harm in the cities of the State. The law applies to mortgages and is of such a character as to prevent these men doing business. We understand that some of them who have been oporating in Columbia are preparing to leave, and thus this law accomplishes something that police officers and magistrates have striven in vain to do.—*Columbia Record.*

The suspicion is prevalent that a good deal of old horse meat is passing in gold labeled cans as "choice corned beef." There is quite likely to be some kicking over this matter.

When you milk a cow and fatten her for the block at the same time, you will succeed in making the toughest of beef. We do not know why this is so, but it's a fact just the same.

While the Jersey cow is almost certain to be one of the gentlest and most ladylike of her kind, every way lovable, her mate is quite likely to be the ugliest little devil in four states.

So many American farmers are buying land and locating in western Canada that it is going to be nip and tuck which shall be celebrated as a holiday —the king's birthday or the Fourth of July.

We think that we can see the time near when a load of musty oat straw will not bring $5 when it is wanted for stable bedding or to cover a strawberry bed. The old granger won't work this racket next winter.

Some farmers are becoming so well fixed that they think they can afford to do their farm work with a five hundred dollar team of horses, and it almost makes play of the work when done with such a team.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, T D Love.

British steamer Capac, 1,951 tons, Rose, Lobos, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

CLEARED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, T D Love.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 25.

STEAMERS.

Capac, (Br) 1,951 tons, Rose, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Martha Russ, (Gr) 1,261 tons, Paulsen, Heide & Co.

SCHOONERS.

City of Nassau, 78 tons, Munroe, to master.

C C Lister, 267 tons, Moore, C D Mafflit.

Joseph G Ray, 1,063 tons, Crocker, to master.

Lydia M Deering, 1,063 tons, Dunton, C D Mafflit.

Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Warner, J T Riley & Co.

Abbie G Cole, 233 tons, Cole, J T Riley & Co.

C C Lane, 306 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Mafflit.

Proud of Its Acquaintance.

I am proud of Cheney's Expectorant. It has done me a world of good. Whenever I take cold I go at once for a bottle of this medicine and gennerally cure the cold without much trouble.

ROD E. SIMPSON,
Bessemer, Ala.
For sale by J. C. Shepard.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, February 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.25 per barrel for hard, $4.00 for dip, $4.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 65c; rosin firm at $1.85@1.90; tar firm at $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.25, 3.75@4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	7
Rosin	236
Tar	123
Crude turpentine	38

Receipts same day last year—13 casks spirits turpentine, 250 barrels rosin, 606 barrels tar, 30 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 13¼c per pound for middling.

Same day last year, market firm at 9¼c for middling.

Receipts—26 bales; same day last year, 310.

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*Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 80c; extra prime, 85c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, $1.00.

CORN—Firm; 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Firm at 23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 10@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@55c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Money on call was steady; offered at 1¾ per cent.; closed at 1¾ per cent.; time loans firm; sixty days 3@3¾ per cent.; ninety days 3@3¾ per cent.; six months 4@4¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5¼ per cent. Sterling exchange was easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486 55@486.60 for demand and at 483.60@483 65 for sixty day bills. Posted rates 484 and 487¼. Commercial bills 483¼@483¼. Bar silver 57¼. Mexican dollars 45¼. U. S. refunding 3's, reg'd, 105; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 106; do. coupon, 106¾; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132½; do. coupons, 132½; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107¼; U. S. 4's, old coupon, 107¼; U. S. 5's, registered, —; do. coupon, —; Southern Railway, 5's, 111¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 86; Chesapeake & Ohio 29½; Manhattan L 141¼; New York Central 114; Reading 40¾; do. 1st pref'd, 75¾; do. 2nd pref'd 55¼; Southern Railway 18¾; do. pref'd 78¾; Amalgamated Copper 47½; People's Gas 97¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 35; U. S. Leather 6¾; U. S. Leather, preferred, 77; Western Union 87; U. S. Steel 10¼; do. preferred 35¼; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 28; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 100; sales — shares. Standard Oil —.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Rosin quiet. Strained common to good $2 80. Spirits turpentine easy at 63¼@64c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 25.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing. Quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 25.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 60c; receipts 126 casks; sales 50 casks; exports 50 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 1,847 barrels; sales 3,355 barrels; exports 1 259 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 40; D, $2 40; E, $2 45; F, $2 50; G, $2 55; H, $2 60; I, $2 95; K, $3 25; M, $3 30; N, $3 35; W G, $3 50; W W $3 70.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of four to thirteen points on the old, to a decline of five points on the new crop months and ruled very irregular. The initial gains were due to covering on cables, which were better than expected, and the small receipts estimated for the day, but there was little support from bullish sources and shortly after the opening prices sagged off ten to fifteen points on liquidation and some selling believed to be for short account. Liverpool continued firm however, and New Orleans which at first had shown relative weakness firmed up, sending very bullish telegrams to the local market. It was March notice day there and yesterday some apprehensions were expressed as to the attitude of the long interest. This morning, however, leading Southern bulls were reported to be bidding for large blocks of March cotton. Here large Philadelphia spot interests were active buyers for July. New Orleans, too, sent buying orders after the first ten or fifteen minuter, while houses with Liverpool connections were also operating for long account. This rallied the market in spite of continued opposition from the former local bull leader, who was reported to be selling openly, and prices advanced to a net gain of twenty-six to thirty points on the more active months with May reaching 14.28 and July 14 23, while March ruled dull and neglected around 13.85. Estimated receipts for to-morrow were very light, helping in the advance, but reports reaching here from the South indicate rather a less pressing demand for spot cotton at the recent advances and the continued opposition of leading interests here unsettled the room who shortly before midday started a selling movement that carried prices down to last night's level. Again there was a rally as offerings fell off somewhat, but once more the market was depressed by the aggressive offerings of the local bull leader and in the middle of the afternoon prices were forced down to the lowest point of the session, with March selling at 13.40, May at 13 75 and July at 13.80, representing a net decline of eleven to twenty-seven points and a reaction from the best of about thirty-two points on the May position. Toward the close room covering and a renewal of demand from spot interests, brought about a slight rally and the market was finally steady at an advance of nine points to a decline of fifteen points. Sales were estimated at 700,000 bales. Receipts for the day were light and the estimates for to morrow also ran very small, indicating a more bullish week statement than previously expected, the amount being now placed at about 135,000 bales against 170,000 last year. Exports for the day were very light, however, and total exports for the season are now only 4,897,290 bales against 5,084,943 last year.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Cotton quiet at 14.10; net receipts 227 bales; gross receipts 3,247 bales; stock 76,474 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 20 points lower; middling uplands 14.10; middling gulf 14.35c; sales — bales

Cotton futures market closed steady; February 13.43, March 13.57, April 13.79, May 13 96, June 13.93, July 13.94, August 13.50, September 13.00, October 11.50, November 11 30, December 11.35.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 8,338 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,400 bales; exports to France 297 bales; exports to the Continent 3,661 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 671,109 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 52,790 bales; exports to Great Britain 21,173 bales; exports to France 347 bales; exports to the Continent 12,862 bales; exports to Japan 280 bales; exports to Mexico — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,363,539 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,122,682 bales; exports to France 634,611 bales; exports to the Continent 2,194,781 bales; exports to Japan 37,188 bales; exports to Mexico 23,368 bales.

Feb 25.—Galveston, steady at 13¾c, net receipts 982 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 500 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 14.75c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 14.30, net receipts 823 bales; Wilmington, steady at 13.50c, net receipts 26 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 14.35c, net receipts 324 bales; Savannah, quiet at 14c, net receipts 1,153 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 13 13 16c, net receipts 4,416 bales; Mobile, quiet at 13½c, net receipts 19 bales; Memphis, quiet at 13¾c, net receipts 1,194 bales; Augusta, nominal at 14½c, net receipts 39 bales; Charleston, firm at 14c, net receipts 400 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Flour was quiet but firmly held at the advance: Minnesota patents $5 20@5 75; winter patents $5 40@5 60. Wheat—Spot strong; No. 2 red $1 09 Options opened strong on favorable cables and buying by Armour interests. Later the market eased off under realizing but again rallied and closed strong at about the best prices of the day; May closed $1 07¾; July closed $1 03; September closed 95¾c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 nominal. Options market was firm on good English cables. Later eased off under realizing but again improved and closed firm: May closed 62¾; July closed 61¼c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2 55¾. Pork strong; family $16 50@17 00; short clear $16 00@17 75; mess $17 50@18 00. Lard strong: Western steam $8 30; refined strong; continent $8 35; compound 6¾@7c. Butter firm; extra fresh creamery 26c; State dairy 14@22c. Sugar—Raw quiet; refined steady. Cheese quoted firm; State full cream fancy, small colored, September 12, late made 10¾; small white, September 12; late made 10¾c. Eggs weak and lower; State and Pennsylvania nearby average 24c. Peanuts were firm; fancy hand-picked 5¼c; other domestic 3¼@6¼c. Potatoes steady; Long Island $3 00@3 25; Jerseys $ 300@3 37; Jersey sweets $1 50@4 00; State and Western sacks $3 75@3 90. Cabbage firm; domestic, per ton, $35 00@55 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Rice steady. Molasses firm. Cotton seed oil—The market was firm and partially higher on strength of hog products. Business was on a moderate scale. Following were closing prices: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 32@32½c; prime summer yellow 39@39½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 41@41½c; prime winter yellow 41¼c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Heavy purchases of wheat to-day on the probability of the Russo-Japanese war being of long duration sent the price of wheat up to 1.09 a bushel. Compared with last night's close, this figure showed a gain of 2½ and is a new high record for that delivery. The market closed with May up 1c. and July up 3c. May corn was a shade lower; oats ½c. up and provisions 10 to 32½c. higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Cash prices: Flour was steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 98@$1 07; No. 3 spring 90@1 03; No. 2 red 1 05@$1 10. Corn—No. 2 54½c; No. 2 yellow 55¼. Oats—No. 2 43; No. 2 white 45½@46; No. 3 white 43@45¼c. Rye—No. 2, no report. Mess pork, per bbl., $16 37½@16 50. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 87½@7 82½. Short rib sides, loose, $7 75@7 87½. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, not reported. Short clear sides, boxed, $7 50@7 75. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May $1 07@$1 07¾, 1 09, 1 06¾, 1 07½; July, old, 97@97¼, 99¼, 96¾, 99c; do., new, 96@96¼, 98¼, 96, 98½c; September, old, 91¾, 94, 91¼, 93¼c; do., new, 90¾@91¼, 93¼, 90¾, 92¾. Corn—No. 2 February —; May 57¾@57¾, 58, 57¾, 57½@57½c; July 55¾@56, 56¼, 56¾@56¾, 45¼c. Oats—No. 2 February 43¾c; May 46¼@46¾, 46¼, 45¾, 46¾; July 43@43¼, 42¾@43¾, 41¾, 42¼c; September 36¾@37, 37¼, 36¼, 36¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $16 30, 16 65, 15 30, 16 57½; July $16 50, 16 75, 16 40, 16 65. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $8 05, 8 15, 8 05, 8 12½; July $8 20, 8 30, 8 20, 8 35. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $7 95, 8 12½, 7 95, 8 05; July $8 00, 8 20, 8 00, 8 15.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; mild steady. The market for coffee futures opened at an advance of 5@15 points on scattered buying. Importers continued selling in a moderate sort of way, but the market ruled generally steady to firm, closing steady at a net advance of 20@30 points. Sales 129,000 bags.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 25.—Cotton: Spot, moderate business; prices 12 to 14 points lower; American middling fair 7.80d; good middling 7.64d; middling 7.54d; low middling 7.46d; good ordinary 7.38d; ordinary 7.18d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 6,100 bales American. Receipts 25,300 bales, no American.

Futures opened quiet and closed steady; American middling (g o c): February 7.30d; February and March 7.29d; March and April 7.29d; April and May 7.29d; May and June 7.31d; June and July 7.30d; July and August 7.28d; August and September 7.10d; September and October 6.43d; October and November 6.14d.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. O. Railroad—160 barrels rosin, 44 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—2 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

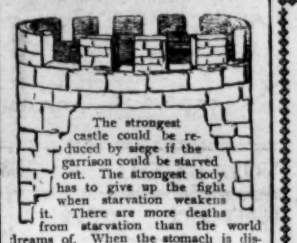
W., C. & A. Railroad—26 bales cotton, 39 barrels rosin, 47 barrels tar, 36 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—4 casks spirits turpentine, 17 barrels tar.

Steamer Whitlock—3 casks spirits turpentine, 57 barrels rosin, 1 barrel tar.

Schooner J. D. Poeter—12 barrels tar.

Total—26 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 236 barrels rosin, 123 barrels tar, 38 barrels crude turpentine.



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OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 266,214 30
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		54 01
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		12?,0 0 0
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		173 8 0 00
Stocks, securities, etc		32,4?0. 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20 000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,400 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		93,453 45
Due from State Banks and Bankers		133. 17 94
Due from approved reserve agents		10? ?66 25
Notes of other National Banks		$3,5?0 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents		1 931 03
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank viz: Specie	$ 0 560 00	
Legal tender notes	?00 000 00	$106,931 03
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		5,400 00
Total		$1,800,?68 09

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund		$125,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	?0,137 87	—125,137 87
National Bank notes outstanding		12?,000 00
Due to other National Banks		182,?37 26
Due to State Banks and Bankers		250,480 ?3
Dividends unpaid		413 00
Individual deposits subject to check		?30,539 18
Cashiers checks outstanding		20 689 96
United States deposits	173,800 00	1 2?8 630 22
Total		$1,80 ,?68 09

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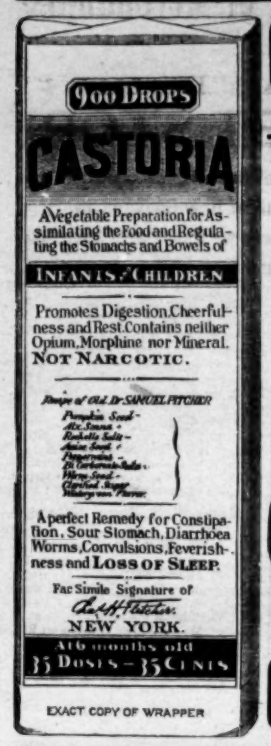
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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

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At close of business Jan. 23, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,060,918 50	Capital	$ 300,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	350,000 00	Surplus and net profits	113,041 46
Bank Building	20,000 00	Circulation	90,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	663 766 80	Deposits	1,520,436 33
	$2,123,477 79		$2,123,477 79

Comparative statement of deposits.
Jan. 22nd, 1902, $857,536 78. Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,304,819 99. Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,520,436 33.

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The Turner murder case was before the coroner. Old man Turner had been found at 8 o'clock in the evening, with a cup that had contained tea before him, dead in his chair. Prussic acid had been found in the dregs. Agatha Drew, his niece, was being examined.

"Have you been brought up to consider yourself your uncle's heiress?"

"I have."

"Had any one else hope of inheriting the property?"

"Yes, my cousin, Mark Turner. He would have been the heir, but my uncle had seen very little of him, while he had adopted me when I was a child."

"Did you have any trouble with your uncle?"

"Only in one matter. He wanted me to marry my cousin, Mark Turner. I refused, whereupon my uncle threatened to disinherit me and leave his property to Mark."

Every one in the court room scrutinized the witness. She might have had every reason to commit the murder. Yet her appearance was so innocent and her words were so frank that few believed she was the guilty one. The next witness was Edward Turner's (the deceased's) lawyer.

"When did you see Edward Turner last?"

"On Friday—three days ago. He called me in to make a new will. His property had been willed to his niece, Agatha Drew. I drew a new will, which was executed in favor of Mark Turner."

"Is that will the latest?"

"The latest to my knowledge."

"Did any one know of this change of will?"

"I think not. Mr. Turner strictly charged me not to speak of it. Therefore he probably did not speak of it himself. He told me his niece knew that if she persisted in a certain marriage and refused to marry her cousin she would be disinherited, but she did not know the will had been changed."

"Call Elliot Stanford."

A young man of prepossessing appearance stepped to the witness stand.

"Are you acquainted with any reason why any person should desire the late Edward Turner's death?'

"No."

"What were his relations with his nephew, Mark Turner?"

"Recently they must have been very intimate, for Edward Turner listened to many stories Mark Turner told him to my disadvantage."

"What motive had Mark Turner for this?'

"To marry Agatha Drew, I being out of the way."

This did not carry much weight. Since a will had been made leaving the property to Mark Turner he could have no motive for the old man's death, while before this will was made the property would have gone to Agatha Drew, whereas Agatha and her lover looked for a change of will and in case of the testator's death before it was made the property would go to the niece.

"Call Mark Turner."

The witness stepped into the box apparently very much self possessed. He had been examined as to his location at the time of the murder and had proved that within a few minutes before and after the murder he was in his club, a short distance from his uncle's house.

"Mr. Turner, Professor Warren, a chemist, desires to ask you a few questions."

"Mr. Turner," said the professor, looking the witness in the eye, "have you any knowledge of the properties of prussic acid?"

"None whatever."

"How long would it take you to go from your club to your uncle's house?"

"About five minutes, I think."

"And to return would be ten. Now, prussic acid acts instantly."

"I object!" interrupted a lawyer present whom Turner had retained.

"Mr. Turner, did you not as a child have an accident by which half an inch was cut off your thumb?"

"I did."

"Hold it up and let us see it."

The witness, who was now getting nervous, did as required. The first joint of the thumb on his right hand was missing.

"Here," said the chemist, "is a silver stand on which rested a silver teapot, which was before the deceased when he was found dead. It had been polished during the afternoon. Now, if I touch it with my finger or any moist article, an impression is left. The impression disappears as it dries, but may be revived by being dampened, as in breathing upon it. I found the edge of the stand blurred, but, breathing upon it and examining the part with a magnifying glass, saw the imprint of fingers beneath and a maimed thumb above."

As the speaker approached the climax the witness began to show signs of a terrible strain and at the last word fell over in a heap.

This ended the investigation. It came out that Edward Turner, after making a new will, had informed his nephew of the fact, telling him at the same time that he thought he should destroy the new one and leave the old one in force. Turner called on him, found him taking a cup of tea with no one in the house, put the poison in the cup when the old man's back was turned and got back to his club, from which he was not missed, all within fifteen minutes.

The will stood in favor of the murderer, but as Agatha was the only other and legitimate heir she finally got the property.

MILDRED TREMAINE.

INDUSTRY FOR THE SOUTH.

Paper Plant From Japan May Become Staple Along Gulf.

Interesting experiments are now being carried on by the department of agriculture at Washington with a new paper plant from Japan called mitsumata, says the Chicago Inter Ocean.

The experiments are the result of one of the trips of Barbour Lathrop of Chicago and D. G. Fairchild, foreign agent for the department, to Japan and other foreign countries in search of plants for the government. Mitsumata is adapted to the warmer parts of the country and is one of the most valuable plants known for the production of bark paper, so much used by the Japanese. It offers an entirely new crop to the south if it can be successfully raised in the United States.

Millions of Japanese live upon the revenue created by manufacturing paper, and most of the product is manufactured from bark cultivated upon an area about one-third the size of the state of Illinois. The mitsumata plant flourishes upon land too poor for rice growing, is especially adapted to clay soil, and from 600 to 2,000 pounds of raw bark are produced upon a single acre.

This pulp is worth in Japan from 15 to 16 cents gold per pound, or just four times as much as the wood pulp imported from America sells for in Yokohama.

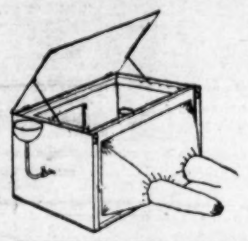
PORTABLE DARK ROOM.

New Device of Value to Amateur Photographers.

Every photographer will be interested in the portable dark chamber for manipulating plates and films which has recently been designed by an English inventor. It is of course intended largely for the amateur, as the professional is generally provided with a large room especially fitted up for this portion of the work. To those who are unable to provide themselves with the regulation dark room through lack of space this idea will prove especially interesting.

The idea of a portable dark room, where plate holders can be refilled and the exposed negatives packed for shipment, is not entirely new, but the inventor of this outfit goes a step further and adds a developing apparatus which is novel and especially advantageous for the class of work for which the machine has been designed.

The trouble with developing exposures in a portable dark room has been



HAS DEVELOPING OUTFIT INCLUDED.

the difficulty of examining the negative from time to time to stop the developing process at just the proper moment. This is overcome in the apparatus here shown by placing a reflecting mirror beneath the box, which throws light through a colored screen in the bottom of the developing tray, and, the latter being of transparent material, it is easy to watch the process of development and check it at the right time. The apparatus includes, of course, developing and fixing baths, with shelves for storage of the chemicals, and provision is also made for a stream of water for rinsing the negatives.

Paint Made From Mummies.

One of the most curious of the many paints used by artists in portrait painting is one of a rich brown hue known as "mummy," which is actually made from the bones of Egyptian mummies ground up with the bitumen with which the ancient Egyptians embalmed their dead. The paint has been in use for more than fifty years in England and in this country for more than thirty years, according to one of the managers of a prominent paint company. As the artist buys it in tubes ready for use it is not expensive, costing only about as much as ordinary white paint. By weight, however, it is fairly expensive, for it costs between $4 and $5 a pound as against 20 cents for the white.

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Men's 13 50 Suits	Now 10.75	Boy's 3 00 Suits	Now 2 25
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Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. 2 Passg'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Passg'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 27	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 52	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 22 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

SCHEDULE

CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS,

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

Effective February 24, 1904.

LEAVE.

Wilmington.	Wrightsville for Wil.	Beach.
*† 7.00 A. M.	8.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.	5.00 P. M.
*6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.30 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.
†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach.

FREIGHT.

Freight will be received at Ninth and Orange streets depot from 9.00 to 10.00 A. M. daily except Sunday. No freight will be carried on passenger cars. feb 24 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 44
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	8 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 21 p m	4 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 18 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 16 p m
Ar Norfolk	8 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 08 p m	1 43 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 30 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 00 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 00 p m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 30 p m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 40
Lv New York	9 30 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	10 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	8 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	8 42 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 18 p m	6 25 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 31 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 38 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 48 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 20 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 00 p m	3 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 05 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	1 50 a m	9 15 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	6 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 35 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	6 00 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	8 14 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 05 p m	9 25 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily		East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar	6 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 15 p m	Ar	4 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv	3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2 55 p m	Ar 12 35 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

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Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m, arrives Lumberton 5:35 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:45 p m, Hamlet 7:35 p m arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 9:15 a m, Pembroke 9:55 a m, Maxton 4:05 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m, Hamlet 8:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:03 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:38 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 10 p m	
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 55 a m	
Ar Charlotte	10 00 a m	.....	
Ar Chester	10 30 a m	1 10 a m	
Ar Greenwood	12 53 p m	3 31 a m	
Ar Athens	2 50 p m	6 05 a m	
Ar Atlanta	5 55 p m	7 30 a m	

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 30 a m
Ar Savannah	3 30 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 05 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	8 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 30 a m
Ar Norlina	3 28 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 05 a m
Ar Norlina	3 28 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 54 p m
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	8 06 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 34 p m	11 25 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 30 p m

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Lv Jersey City	1 15 p m
Lv Philadelphia	3 05 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 45 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St)	3 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	5 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 35 a m
Ar Columbia (E. T.)	8 54 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	6 50 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m
Ar Thalmann	11 04 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Ar St. Augustine	2 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	4 00 p m
Lv Thalmann	5 07 P M
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	8 30 p m
Lv Columbia (E. T.)	9 25 p m
Lv Camden	10 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 55 p m
Ar Southern Pines	12 45 p m
Lv Raleigh	8 45 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 32 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 26.

PROCEEDINGS IN SENATE AND HOUSE.

Agricultural, Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation Bill Passed Senate.

DEBATE ON PATERNALISM.

Tillman and Bailey on the Rural Free Delivery—An Amusing Episode—Debate on Naval Appropriations Continued in the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The Senate passed both the Agricultural and the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bills. An amendment to the Agricultural bill, suggested by Mr. Heyburn of Idaho, caused an animated discussion. It contemplated supervision of interstate commerce so as to prevent the transfer of plants or seeds fraudulently marked, from one State to another. The amendment started a debate on paternalism. It was ruled out on a point of order.

The amendment was supported by Messrs. Heyburn and Clark, of Wyoming, and opposed by Messrs. Tillman, Lodge, Hale, Teller, Proctor and Bailey. During the course of his remarks Mr. Tillman said:

"We depend too much on the discretion of the present secretary. Some day we'll get a fool in the office, as we have had in the past, and the result will be bad."

Mr. Bailey, in the course of his remarks, said there had been great criticism of Mr. Cleveland during his administration because the total appropriations had reached $348,000,000. The people were now paying $800,000,000, without uttering much complaint.

Mr. Bailey also referred to the rural free delivery system, saying that $20,000,000 is now being expended to carry mail to the people who would prefer to go after it.

Mr. Tillman observed that both parties are equally chargeable with responsibility for the rural free delivery system and, he said, "I want to take equal credit for it." He added his conviction that the system is a great improvement over the old, and said that if Mr. Bailey did not consider it a blessing he was "badly off."

"I will have to have further proof," said Mr. Bailey." "I, too, want more proof," responded Mr. Tillman. "I live in the country, where the rural free delivery system benefits are felt and I know more about it than senators otherwise situated."

"Oh!" said Mr. Bailey, "there is nothing the senator does not know more about than anybody, if we take his word for it."

Mr. Tillman suggested that there were many South Carolinians in Texas who would appreciate free delivery if Mr. Bailey did not. "Yes," assented Mr. Bailey, "there are many of them there, and we put some of them in the penitentiary."

"And," Mr. Tillman interrupted, "occasionally elect them to Congress or make governors of them."

While Mr. Bailey was speaking of the multiplication of expenditures he referred to Mr. Tillman as not always voting to keep them down.

Mr. Tillman said he voted for an appropriation for the Charleston Exposition because he saw every other State getting the money of the country. Continuing, he said, "We were paying the taxes and getting nothing back. I paid $10 tax and got 50 cents in return."

"Yes," responded Mr. Bailey, "and under this procedure you will soon be paying $20 and getting one dollar back, and then you will be $19 out."

While Mr. Bailey and Mr. Tillman were both on their feet, Mr. Warren tip-toed to Mr. Tillman's side and abstracted a bottle from the South Carolina senator's pocket. The bottle contained a colorless liquid, said to be eye medicine. Mr. Warren pulled the cork, smelled the contents, re-placed the cork and then unnoticed by Mr. Tillman returned the bottle to the latter's pocket. The Senate and the galleries were convulsed with laughter. Mr. Tillman was still unconscious of the by-play, but not so with Mr. Bailey. He was not pleased with the procedure and exclaimed sharply: "When this vaudeville performance has ceased I would be glad to continue."

The chair rapped the Senate to order. Later, when Mr. Tillman had been told of the incident, he walked to the seat of Mr. Warren and taking the bottle from his pocket, offered it in the attitude of one proffering a drink of the liquid. The offer was declined.

Mr. Clay defended the Agricultural Department against charges of extravagance. He also expressed the conviction that the rural free delivery system was a great boon to the farmers.

Mr. Tillman referred to the incident of Mr. Warren taking a bottle from his pocket explaining that it contained only a throat gargle. "If," he said, "I had known that the senator wanted a drink I would have provided him with something stronger."

Explaining the incident, Mr. Warren said that everybody knew that Mr. Tillman neither "tastes or handles."

"Don't go too far," interrupted Mr. Tillman, "I sometimes taste it, but I don't get drunk except at banquets, and then I don't get so drunk that I have to be carted home."

Mr. Gallinger called attention to the appropriation of $15,000 for investigating table syrups, saying that the same amount was appropriated last year, and suggesting that some results should have been announced by this time. He offered an amendment requiring that a report of progress be made to Congress.

Mr. Bacon defended the provision. He said that much inferior syrup is made, but that in Georgia the real article is produced.

Mr. Gallinger's amendment was accepted.

The Senate adjourned until tomorrow.

House of Representatives.

The building programme of the navy as contained in the pending Naval bill, occupied the attention of the House throughout the day, and the fight is by no means over. The minority members of the Naval Committee, who under the leadership of Mr. Meyer of Louisiana first gave endorsement to the measure, are campaigning for a reduction in the number of ships to be authorized. The amendment to strike out the one battleship, made yesterday by Mr. Bruton, of Ohio, was defeated. The cruisers were then put to the test, and enough friends for them were found for their retention. Construction of the ships in government yards proved to be a fruitful topic of discussion, and an amendment by Mr. Bell, of California, requiring one collier to be built in a government yard, was adopted.

A proposition for a preferential of four per cent. in favor of bids from the Pacific coast was defeated, after Mr. McDermott of New Jersey had delivered a humorous speech in which the shipbuilding trust and the State of New Jersey were put forward for the charitable consideration of the House.

"Don't give up the ship," was the plea made by Representative Meyer, of Louisiana, who addressed himself to the pending amendment of Mr. Burton to strike out the provision for the battleship authorized in the Naval bill.

Mr. Meyer took Mr. Rixey, of Virginia, to task because in the debate yesterday he had endorsed the Burton amendment. Admiral Dewey, Mr. Meyer said, had emphasized before the committee the necessity for battleships, recommending them as preferable to cruisers.

"Is not Admiral Dewey president of the board, the recommendations of which were disregarded by the committee," asked Mr. Rixey.

"Yes," replied Mr. Meyer, "but I would rather take Admiral Dewey's judgment than that of the board. He stated he was in the minority, but he was also in the minority in a famous trial a few years ago and the country has endorsed his position."

W. W. Kitchin, of North Carolina, said that the facts presented by Mr. Burton had not been answered in any way, although his Republican colleagues had "pulled" the Republican platform of Ohio on him, and declared him to be out of line with his party.

Mr. Kitchin named various foreign governments and asked after each: "Are you afraid of any of those nations?", His answer was "No." He said the only cause for fear was in the present occupant of the White House, adding, "and he will not be there long."

Mr. Kitchin moved to strike from the bill the provision for two armored cruisers. His motion was defeated—65 to 126.

An amendment by Mr. Rixey, of Virginia, limiting to a maximum price of $393 a ton the amount to be paid for armor plate, and in the event that armor could not be obtained at this price then the secretary of the navy was to expend $4,000,000 in the erection of an armor plate factory, to be erected on land owned by the government, was ruled out of order.

Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, attacked the provision for a four per cent. differential to Pacific coast builders.

It was "degeneration of reason and disease of imagination," developed by the Republican policy of protection, he declared, which could extend that protection to a local industry in one part of the United States against another part of the country.

Mr. Cushman, of Washington, asked Mr. Williams to reconcile his opposition with his own vote of a million dollars to destroy "cotton worms" in the South. He said he always had admired the gentleman's political somersaults.

The House adjourned until tomorrow.

ARRESTED UNDER CHARGE OF LARCENY.

Manager of Boston Branch of American Security Company of New York Embezzled $190,000

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—Wallace H. Ham, manager of the Boston branch of the American Surety Company of New York, treasurer of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, Roxbury, and until recently treasurer of St. Paul's Episcopal church in this city, was arrested to-day charged with larceny of $104,000 from the American Surety Company. He was arraigned and held by Judge Ely in $50,000 for hearing March 3rd.

In court George N. Berry, counsel for the Surety Company, stated that although the warrant alleged the appropriation of $104,000 he was ready to prove that as much as $175,000 had been taken by Ham as manager of the Surety Company.

Mr. Berry said that Ham also was responsible for a loss of from $40,000 to $50,000 in the hands of St. Luke's Home. After Ham's arrest the American Surety Company issued a statement in which they claimed that the accounts of St. Paul's Episcopal church were involved in the general deficit but to what extent was not known. The statement follows:

"The net shortage of Wallace H. Ham, who is treasurer of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, treasurer of St. Paul's church, this city, and manager for the American Surety Company, of New York, is about $190,000 in the three accounts, but the amount chargeable to each cannot be accurately stated until the final audit.

The American Surety Company of New York has, forthwith, by direction of the executive committee, caused the arrest of Wallace H. Ham and has already charged off out of its surplus of $2,048,181 its estimated proportions."

Ham is 48 years of age. His home is in Brookline. He is married and has several children.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—President Henry D. Lyman, of the American Surety Company, said to-day the discovery of the embezzlement was made recently by the travelling auditor, and when Ham was accused of being short in his accounts, it is said, he admitted the wrong doing and made a full confession to the auditor and also to the trustees of St. Paul's church and also to the trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents, of which institution he was also treasurer. The alleged defaulter also turned over all his property to the American Surety and St. Luke's Home.

WARM WIRELETS.

The steamer Manhattan, bound from New Orleans for Bremen, with 30,136 bales of cotton, which put into Charleston with cargo afire on January 27th will sail direct for Bremen this morning.

Will Boggan, colored, was hanged at Wadesboro, N. C., yesterday, for the murder of John Sullivan, white, on Feb. 28th, 1903. Bogan protested his innocence in a speech which he made from the scaffold and met death calmly.

Conversations which have occurred between the president of the Panama Canal Company at Paris and Ambassador Porter show that in the opinion of the former no obstacle will be placed by the company in the way of the transfer of the concession to the United States.

The House Committee on Elections No. 1 decided the Gudger-Moody contest from the Tenth North Carolina district in favor of Gudger, Democrat, the sitting member, and the Dantzeleer-Lever contest from the Seventh South Carolina district in favor of Lever, the sitting member.

Free distribution of samples of Toni-ta, the invigorating tonic and stimulant for Body, Brain and Nerve, at the drug store of Bulluck & Ahrens, Princess street, next Friday, Feb. 26th. See display advertisement.

MORE FIGHTING AT PORT ARTHUR.

Russians Report Another Attack Early Thursday Morning by Japanese Ships.

THE JAPS WERE REPULSED.

Attempted to Block the Inner Harbor and Dock—Movements in Manchuria and Corea—The Russians Irritated Against the United States.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 25.—Major General Pflug, the chief of staff of Viceroy Alexieff, telegraphs as follows under to-day's date:

"The enemy again attacked Port Arthur, from 1 to 3 A. M., and was everywhere repulsed. Details follow."

Following the dispatch of Major General Pflug, Viceroy Alexieff has sent in an identical report to the Czar.

The fact that the Japanese have renewed the attack is interpreted here to mean that they are determined to bottle up or destroy the Russian fleet at Port Arthur in order to give themselves freedom for land manoeuvres to cut off or invest the city, or as a feint to cover a movement elsewhere.

Wednesday's Attack.

PORT ARTHUR, Feb. 25.—At about 1 o'clock yesterday morning the Japanese made a desperate attempt to block the entrance of the inner harbor and dock. With this object, four merchant steamers, accompanied by torpedo vessels, were sent from two sides towards the entrance of the channel.

The movement was perceived by the Retvizan which was lying in the channel and which opened fire immediately. At the same time the guns of the forts on the Tiger peninsula, Golden Hill and Electric Cliff, were turned upon the enemy and a furious cannonade ensued, lasting until 5 o'clock in the morning. Then the firing slackened and became desultory. The Japanese had failed to effect their purpose. All four of the steamers were sunk. They are lying in the following positions: One behind the Golden Hill; one near the Retvizan, two between the entrance of the channel and the Lao-Tshe-Shan peninsula. Two of the vessels are still burning.

The cruisers Bayan and Novik pursued the Japanese torpedo flotilla. It is said that one of the torpedo boats was sunk.

At about 9 o'clock in the morning, Feb. 24th, a Japanese squadron of considerable size approached Port Arthur and the Bayan and Novik were ordered to face the Japanese ships, which, however, did not open fire and afterwards steamed away in the direction of Port Dalny.

The cruiser Pallada has entered the dock here.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The Czar has telegraphed warm congratulations to Viceroy Alexieff and the entire Russian squadron at Port Arthur on the able manner in which they repulsed the latest attack of the Japanese.

LONDON, Feb. 25, 6:02 P. M.—The British Foreign Office has received an official dispatch saying that not one of the Japanese torpedo boats was injured in the attack on Port Arthur of Wednesday, Feb. 24th.

Japanese in Manchuria.

YINKOW, Feb. 25.—Native reports that the Japanese have landed at Possiet bay and subsequently undertook operations against Hunchun, and towards Kirin, have received qualified confirmation from English missionary refugees who have arrived at New Chwang.

These people say the Russo Chinese bank has removed from Kirin to Kwang-Cheng-Tsi, where commercial interests are seeking safety and defence.

This reported advance has caused consternation among the European civilians residing in the line of march.

It is reported also that the Russian government bureau at Vladivostok has withdrawn to Khabarovsk.

Possiet bay is in Russian Manchuria, about 70 miles southwest of Vladivostock. Hunchun is on the left bank of the Tumen river and about 40 miles to the west of Possiet bay. Kirin is a big Manchurian town and lies about 220 miles inland and to the west of Possiet bay. Kwang-Cheng-Tsi is about 80 miles west of Kirin. Khabarovsk is about 400 miles to the north of Vladivostok, with which port it is connected by a railroad.

Russian Baltic Squadron.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—It is now said that the Russian Baltic squadron, comprising eight battleships, two armored cruisers, three protected cruisers, two large transports and thirty torpedo boats, will leave for the Far East at the end of June. It is added that it will be commanded by Rear Admiral Bojestyvenaky.

Cut the Wires.

SEOUL, Feb. 25.—Russian videttes, advancing south of Anju, have cut the telegraph wires between Anju and Pingyang.

Russian Battleships.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The battleships Retivzan and Czearvitch will be temporarily employed at Port Arthur as guardships, in which capacity it has been decided their formidable guns can be utilized to good advantage. It has been found that the repairs necessary to these ships can only be fully made in the dock at Vladivostok, so the vessels will be temporarily patched up and remain at Port Arthur until circumstances will permit of their being set to Vladivostok.

Japanese Moving Rapidly.

TOKIO, Feb. 24 (delayed transmission)—Three weeks ago it was thought in some quarters that the opening of the war would be speedily followed by a movement of the Russian forces toward the south, Pink Yang being picked as their objective point. The appearance later of Russian scouts in the vicinity of Wiju tended to confirm this opinion, and created the impression that there would be an early conflict in that vicinity.

If the Russians ever intended to make this movement they have apparently been beaten by the rapidly moving Japanese. The latter are said to have a large enough force to check the Russians, thus insuring the possession of Corea as soon as they are capable of making an aggressive northern movement themselves. The small bodies of mounted Russians who were scouting south of the Yalu river speedily withdrew to the northward.

Storms are interfering with naval operations. The Yellow Sea is being swept by gales, heavy snow is falling, and the weather is bitterly cold. The forces of Japan are going to the front splendidly equipped to withstand the cold, but despite their preparations both sides will suffer much during the next thirty days.

Irritation Against United States.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The irritation against the United States on account of the supposed unfriendly attitude of that country towards Russia, which was slightly noticeable throughout the negotiations, seems to have become daily pronounced, and since the Vicksburg incident at Chemulpo American business men here are really alarmed concerning the possible effect upon American trade.

Within the last few days orders for American goods have been countermanded, the only explanation given being that the prospective purchasers did not desire to buy any American goods under the present circumstances.

United States Consul General Watts has felt it to be his duty to write to the State Department, pointing out the state of public feeling here and the great prospective damage to American trade unless measures were taken to allay the irritation.

Americans here believe that an official explanation of the Vicksburg incident would be opportune and have an excellent effect. In government circles it is seen plainly that Russian susceptibilities have been wounded, and the fear is expressed that should Washington now disregard Russia and procure exequaturs for the newly appointed American consuls at Mukden and Antung from Pekin and attempt to send those officials to their posts, a really unpleasant incident might be created.

Russian Army in Corea.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—According to information received by well informed military men, the Russian army which is intended to operate in Corea will consist of an advance van guard of two regiments of Siberian sharp-shooters, a van guard of sixteen regiments of infantry, with ninety-six quick-firing guns, three batteries of mountain guns and a corresponding force of cavalry. The main body will consist of forty regiments, including Cossack cavalry with three hundred guns.

It is added that no important operations will be possible before the melting of the ice, and that the present operations will be confined to necessary preparations.

Japan Awaits Advices.

TOKIO, Feb. 24.—(Delayed in transmission)—Advices are hourly anticipated here of the third naval engagement which has taken place at Port Arthur. It is thought here that Admiral Togo first attacked with his torpedo boats and then shelled Port Arthur. The opinion expressed by the foreign ministry here is, however, almost united against the ability of the Japanese ships to shell the place without dangerous exposure to the heavy guns of the shore batteries. The Japanese, however, are confident that the place is vulnerable at three points on the seaside, and in proof of their opinions is the explosion of a number of shells in the town on the occasion of the recent night fight. The Japanese once possessed Port Arthur and they have the most complete information in regard to distances and ranges. A bombardment of the place should prove highly destructive, as it is narrow and cramped. A few shells thrown over the hills into the basin holding the bay and town could not fail to do serious execution. The Japanese shells are charged with high explosives and are very effective, and it is believed possible to render the harbor untenable for Russian warships by bombardment and force them to put to sea and fight in the open.

It is thought here that the withdrawal of Admiral Alexieff from Port Arthur and the removal of headquarters and records to Harbin is an admission of the weakness of the place and of its inability to make a sustained defence. It is believed that the Japanese intend to make a vigorous onslaught on Port Arthur. Its possession would deprive the Russians of a naval base and insure the Japanese a base for future operations on the Liao-Tung peninsula.

St. Petersburg Rejoicing.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—No further details were available to day of the unsuccessful attempt of the Japanese to bottle up the Russian fleet at Port Arthur by sinking big merchantmen at the mouth of the harbor. The brief details contained in the official dispatches indicate that the coup was planned, according to the usual Japanese tactics, to take place during the night, that it was desperately pushed and backed by eight torpedo boats, which continued fighting until daylight, but that it failed completely. Great praise is given to the Russian battleship Retvizan, which lay outside the harbor entrance, for her gallant work in beating off the enemy.

The news of the Japanese repulse was received here with great rejoicing and was looked upon as partially wiping out the score against the enemy.

The official bulletins were given out too late for editorial comment, but the news of the initial success of the Russian arms was prominently displayed. Not one of the newspapers here has yet received special dispatches giving news of the Japanese repulse.

SECRECY CONCERNING JAPANESE MOVEMENTS.

New Development in Operations Points to an Attack on Vladivostock—The Port Arthur Affair.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 26.—War correspondents and Europeans in Japan comment in amazement upon the success of Japanese officials in preserving secrecy regarding all the operations of war, declare this conspiracy of silence is not only confined to government and service circles, but that it extends to every section of the community. All classes of people are submitting with marvellous patience to being deprived of news, which they recognize is imperative to the success of the national cause. It is undoubtedly in pursuance of this policy that no Japanese account of the Port Arthur affair has yet been published, and none is expected until Admiral Togo has completed his designs there.

In the meantime, if the report from Yinkow of a Japanese landing near Vladivostok, which at present is based on missionary and native statements, should prove correct, a most important and new development in the Japanese operations will have been revealed, as it points to an attack on Vladivostok, from which position the bay is a little over seventy miles distant.

The report that the railroad has been cut between Harbin and Vladivostok may possibly be connected with these operations, but until reliable information is forthcoming this report must be received with reserve. It has already been reported from Tokio that certain Russian forces were concentrated at Possiet Bay. No further news of an attack on Port Arthur after the engagement in which the Japanese attempted to sink vessels in such a manner as to block the harbor entrance has reached London. Almost all the English newspapers, in discussing Viceroy Alexieff's reports, incline to the belief that Admiral Togo succeeded, in so far as to make the channel impassable for large battleships, even if it is still free to smaller craft, and presume that the reported second attack, if it did occur, was devoted to an attempt to sink other obstacles to navigation.

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SAN DOMINGO ADVICES.

Macoris Bombarded by the Government Forces—Inflicted Much Damage.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SAN DOMINGO, Feb. 25.—Government forces attacked San Pedro de Macoris last Saturday. They went in small boats with the intention of landing, but were received with a fusilade from the insurgents which resulted in many being killed or wounded. The gunboat President then bombarded the town and inflicted much damage. The attack and the bombardment were renewed on Sunday. The rebels fired on the Presidente and damaged her about the water line. This obliged the gunboat to leave and return here. The government gunboat Independencia arrived here this morning. The United States training ship Hartford arrived here yesterday to relieve the cruiser Columbia which left for St. Thomas, D. W. I. This city is quiet.

— Mr. William Blanks, a well known citizen of Wilmington, died at 3:30 this morning from an attack of heart disease.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

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B. G. EMPIE, Admr.

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The lower house of the Mississippi Legislature voted down almost unanimously a resolution to invite Wm. J. Bryan to address the Legislature.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Notices For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found, Wants, and other short Miscellaneous Advertisements inserted in this Department, in solid Nonpariel Type, for **1 cent** per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than **25 cents.** Terms positively cash in advance

Lost—Down town on Wednesday, long silver purse chain. Finder please return to 218 Grace street, and be rewarded. feb 26 1t

Twenty-five bunches Bananas on hand. Must be sold, 10, 20 and 25 cents dozen, at Farries', 109 South Front street. feb 24 tf

Thirty loaves Washington Bread for $1 00 or three for 10 cents, at Farries', 109 South Front street. feb 24 tf

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Comfortable accommodations and good board at Virginia House, 113 Market street, over Taylor's Bazaar. $3.50 per week. feb 5 1m

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Sewing Machines, Typewriters, Organs repaired. Will be in town for a few days only. Address J. S. Farrar, No. 9 South Eighth street. dec 30 tf

For Sale—Two turpentine stills in good working condition—one especially good. Cheap for cash. C. W. Worth, receiver. dec 13 tf

For Sale—Finest Berkshires. Three brood sows, two of them bred to farrow in March, two 7 months gilts, two 7 months boars, five sucking boar pigs, two boars 13 months old. Bargains in each lot till January 1st. L. L. Sellar, Wilmington, N. C. dec 6 3 mos

Wrapping Paper—For sale, several thousand Old Newspapers, all sizes, suitable for wrapping paper, and just the thing to put under carpets and matting. Will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Apply at the STAR office. oct 4 tf

Cabbage, Apples, Onions, Irish Potatoes, Eggs and all kinds of produce at A. S. Winstead's to-day, 213 Market street. Both 'Phones. sep 5 tf

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In this department we have a great assortment. We have a big line of samples of men's hats which we are selling at first cost. You can buy from this line a $1.50 hat for $1, a $1.25 hat for 75c., a 50c. hat for 38c., a 25c. hat for 19c. As to variety of styles, you can get anything you want.

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Men's laundried Madras shirts, with two collars and one pair of cuffs, cheap at 50c., now 38c. each.

Ladies' Wrappers

We have just put on sale a nice line of new up-to-date styles in wrappers which are well made and good value, prices 75c, $1.00, $1.19, $1.25 and $1.39, in assorted colors, including black and white. In our ladies' cloaks, take your choice at one-fourth off of the first price, which represents less than first cost to us. A $5.00 cloak would be $3 75 to you. A new style military cloak, the latest fad, worth $10.00, means $7.50 to you. Sweaters reduced 25 per cent. Plenty of new and pretty skirts from $1.00 up.

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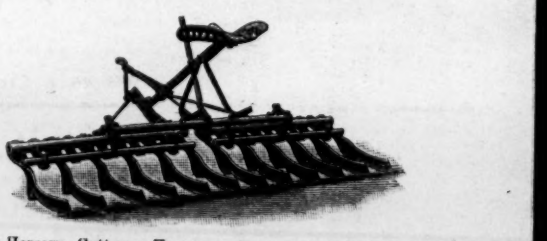

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